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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number : 09/973,303  
Filing Date : October 9, 2001  
Inventor(s) : Nobuo Ogasawara  
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING EXPIRATION-DATED  
PRODUCTS UTILIZING AN ELECTRONIC RECEIPT  
Group Art Unit : 3627  
Examiner Name : Kenneth R. Rice  
Docket No. : 47410/JEC/F179 Date: March 24, 2003

### MAIL TO: Box RCE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

#### 1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

a. X Pending (no review proceedings active)

- (1) X An Action was mailed by the Office on October 16, 2002, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and  
X a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on January 13, 2003

       via Express Mail

X with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8

X that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request  
       an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141, 145 or 146 has been terminated

- (2)        Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on         
       the Issue Fee has not been paid  
       the Issue Fee has been paid and a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on

b.        Pending (with review proceeding active)

An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**

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**2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)**

a. Previously submitted

- ☒ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed  
on January 13, 2003  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_  
☐ Other:

b. Enclosed

- ☐ Amendment/Reply  
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48  
☒ Petition for Extension of Time  
☐ Other:

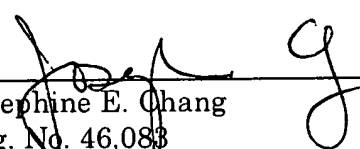
The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please address all correspondence to **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068.**

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
FEE CALCULATION SHEET**

**Application No. 09/973,303**

<b>PART I - BASIC FEE</b>			
BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$375.00	Large Entity \$750.00	750.00

Part II - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	13	* 20	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	-0-
Independent Claims	2	** 3	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	-0-
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$140.00	\$280.00	
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$-0-
List Independent Claims: 1, 35						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE. ** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

3. FEES (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)  
A check for \$750.00 is enclosed.
- b. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A duplicate copy hereof is enclosed.

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